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C O N F I D E N T I A L TOKYO 10183

SUB: OKINAWA: WITHDRAWAL OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS

1. ALL MEDIA EVENING DEC 23 FEATURING AP DISPATCH FROM WASHINGTON QUOTING SENATOR MAGNUSON TO EFFECT THAT HE HAS RECEIVED WORD FROM PENTAGON THAT REMOVAL OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS FROM OKINAWA WILL BE DELAYED "AT LEAST TEMPORARILY", AND THAT NO MOVEMENT POSSIBLE PENDING COMPLETION OF OVERALL REVIEW OF PROBLEM WITHDRAWING CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL WEAPONS. PRESS ALSO CARRYING STATEMENT ATTRIBUTED TO PENTAGON SOURCES THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN REMOVAL PLAN, WHICH SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY END OF MARCH.

2. FONOFF STATES THAT GOJ/LDP ARE FEARFUL LEST OPPOSITION SEIZE ON PUBLIC FEARS TO EXPLOIT MAGNUSON STATEMENT TO EMBARRASS LDP IN CURRENT ELECTION CAMPAIGN. FONOFF URGENTLY REQUESTS STATEMENT OF OFFICIAL USG POSITION THAT MAY BE EMPLOYED TO MINIMIZE EFFECT OF SENATOR MAGNUSON'S STATEMENT. PLEASE ADVISE. GP-3.

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SUBJ: Withdrawal of Chemical Weapons from Okinawa

REF: Tokyo 10183

During news briefing at 1100 hours today, Dept. of Defense spokesman, in response to newsman's question, said news stories were not true which claimed that the removal of chemical weapons from Okinawa will be delayed. Spokesman said that the plans in the December 2 announcement on this subject have not been changed.

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FOR UNDERSECRETARY JOHNSON

1. RECENT DOD ANNOUNCEMENT THAT ANOTHER B-52 SQUADRON WOULD BE WITHDRAWN FROM VIETNAM OPERATIONS RAISES QUESTION AGAIN OF B-52 OPERATIONS IN OKINAWA. ALL OTHER FACTORS BEING EQUAL, JUDGMENT HERE IS THAT IT WOULD STILL BE PREFERABLE TO DISCONTINUE REGULAR B-52 OPERATIONS.

2. WITH COMPLETION FIRST ROUND OF REVERSION NEGOTIATIONS, THERE IS PROBABLY LESS PRESSURE TO WITHDRAW B-52S NOW. WOWEVER ISSUE REMAINS VERY MUCH ALIVE IN OKINAWA-- IF AT LOWER KEY. PRINCIPAL RISK REMAINS REPERCUSSIONS FROM ANOTHER ACCIDENT. IF B-52 OPERATIONS FROM OKINAWA ARE ESSENTIAL FOR VIETNAM, THIS RISK, OF COURSE, MUST BE ACCEPTED. ON OTHER HAND, IF PROJECTED SORTIE RATE CAN BE MET WITHOUT USE OKINAWA, IT WOULD SEEM PREFERABLE TO WITHDRAW NEXT SQUADRON FROM OKINAWA.

3. REALIZE THAT PRESENCE B-52S ON OKINAWA ALSO SERVES AS WARNING SIGNAL TO NORTH KOREA. WONDER IF THIS REQUIREMENT COULD NOT BE MET BY RUNNING OCCASIONAL VIETNAM SORTIES FROM OKINAWA, PERHAPS ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH. OCCASIONAL OPERATIONS WOULD APPEAR TO INVOLVE FAR LESS RISK OF ACCIDENT THAN PRESENT DAILY SORTIES. THEY WOULD ALSO MAKE CLEAR TO BOTH OKINAWA AND JAPAN OUR CONTINUED REQUIREMENT FOR KADENA B-52 BASE FOR BOTH KOREAN AND VIETNAM CONTINGENCIES.

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SUBJ: CBW IN OKINAWA - DEF 15 Ryu IS - US

REF: TOKYO 6037

1. STORAGE OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS ON OKINAWA IS QUIESCENT ISSUE NOW, THANKS TO OUR PROMISE TO EFFECT THEIR REMOVAL WHEN UPROAR OCCURRED LAST JULY.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFO DEPT CAN PROVIDE RE STATUS OF REMOVAL.
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Intelligence Note - 865

December 18, 1969

To : The Secretary
Through: S/S
From : INR - Ray S. Cline

Subject: JAPAN: Okinawa Reversion Agreement Improves Sato's Position

The announcement on November 21 that the United States will return Okinawa to Japan during 1972 provides Prime Minister Sato, who had staked his political future on getting agreement on a date for reversion and on treating the US bases in post-reversion Okinawa like those in the rest of Japan, with a signal victory and also removes a potentially explosive issue from Japanese politics.

The Okinawa Issue in Japanese Politics. In recent years, Japanese politicians have been groping for ways to guide and exploit the growing sense of national awareness. To this end Okinawan reversion was propelled into prominence not by the left but by Sato and his Liberal Democratic Party (LDP). Sato gambled that he could make Okinawa the central issue in Japanese politics, and that other issues, such as Japan's defense posture (in which Sato has an abiding interest but which the public tends to ignore), could usefully be associated with the Okinawa issue. He also gambled that the US could be induced to agree to reversion on reasonable terms in order to preserve the benefits of the overall US-Japan relationship. He began his campaign in 1965, when, as the first postwar prime minister to visit Okinawa, he said: "until reversion takes place, the postwar period will not be over." It was his evident determination to stake his political life on getting a reversion agreement from the United States that caused the opposition parties as well as LDP leaders who aspire to succeed him to focus on the issue.

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SUBJ: B-52'S ON OKINAWA

1. JAPANESE PRESS DECEMBER 11 GAVE PROMINENT PLAY TO AFP REPORT FROM WASHINGTON THAT DOD HAS ANNOUNCED PREPARATIONS FOR WITHDRAWAL 30 B-52'S FROM VIETNAM DUTY. GOJ OFFICIALS QUOTED AS SAYING WITHDRAWAL MAY INVOLVE B-52'S AT KADENA, THOUGH THEY HAVE RECEIVED NO INFO TO CONFIRM THIS.

2. IN ANTICIPATION INQUIRIES FROM GOJ AND FROM PRESS REQUEST IMMEDIATE GUIDANCE. EXEMPT
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
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Honorable William P. Rogers
Secretary of State
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Mr. Secretary:

In 1961 the Department of Defense authorized the storage of toxic chemical warfare agents in Okinawa, and on 22 July 1969 the Department of Defense announced that certain chemical munitions located on the Island would be withdrawn. As part of the comprehensive review of our chemical warfare activities, the Secretary of Defense recently decided that toxic chemical munitions on Okinawa will be relocated to the United States. Personnel of your Department have been working with representatives of the Department of Defense on matters of mutual interest concerning this relocation activity and agree that the early removal of this material is essential.

On Wednesday, November 5, 1969, I spoke with Under Secretary U. Alexis Johnson concerning new legislative requirements in connection with transportation of chemical warfare agents outside the United States. Public Law 91-121, which the President signed on November 19, 1969, prohibits the transportation of any lethal chemical warfare agent outside the United States if the Secretary of State, after appropriate notice by the Secretary of Defense, determines that such transportation will violate international law. The purpose of my letter is to advise you formally on behalf of the Secretary of Defense of transportation requirements occasioned by the relocation in order that you may take appropriate action in the light of this recent legislation.

Approximately five shipments will be required, and planning for the movement anticipates an initial shipment in December 1969 with completion required by the Spring of 1970. All shipments from Okinawa will be by ship to the Naval Ammunition Depot, Bangor, Bremerton, Washington, and then by rail to the Umatilla Army Depot,

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Hermiston, Oregon. The initial movement will involve the transportation of about 2,000 short tons, packaged weight, of Air Force and Navy bombs loaded with chemical agent GB without explosive elements.

Please be assured that the Department of Defense is taking special precautions to insure the safe movement of this material. A fully-qualified technical escort team will accompany the shipments during all phases; special arrangements for rail transportation are being made. Umatilla Army Depot was selected as the permanent storage site of these chemicals because of its isolation from major population centers, its present toxic chemical storage mission, its storage and handling experience, and its capability to receive the relocated munitions. Naval Ammunition Depot, Bangor, was selected as the port to receive this material because of its proximity to Umatilla, and it is a Government installation with experience in handling munitions. Representatives of the Department of the Army are prepared to provide details concerning this transportation to members of your staff on request.

The Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare has been advised of the transportation requirements occasioned by the relocation in order that he may take appropriate action in the light of the recent legislation. No shipments will be undertaken until you and the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare have had an opportunity to discharge your responsibilities under Public Law 91-121. You may also be interested to know that the Governors of Oregon and Washington are being notified as required by this legislation.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus R. Beal

Thaddeus R. Beal
Under Secretary of the Army

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SUBJECT: Relocation of Chemical Munitions X k DEF 12 US

REFERENCE: a) Tokyo 9380 b) DA 282342ZNov69

1. Embassy requested to inform GOJ that DOD plans to announce at 1415 hours EST, December 2, plans to commence removal of CW from Okinawa in late December ~~and~~ with completion by spring, 1970. DOD planning to inform US officia ls per ref b. Emb may therefore wish inform GOJ by COB December 2, with request that info be held closely until Washington announcement.

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DATE: November 19, 1969

FROM : AmConsul NAGOYA

SUBJECT : Aichi Domei Visit to Okinawa

REF : A-47 from Nagoya dated 8/19/69

On November 6, Shozo IWAMI, Assistant Secretary General, and Ginji HOSHINO, Chief of the Education and Propaganda Department of Aichi Prefecture Domei described their recent trip to Okinawa (see reference) to the reporting officer. In addition to describing conditions which we assume are well-known to the Embassy and USCAR, they made the following comments which may be of interest:

Some presumably Sohyo-leaning unions, e.g. Plywood, Port workers, Postal workers, seemed unaware of radical Sohyo activities in Japan and professed surprise when briefed by the Domei team and indicated a desire to work with Domei instead.

The workers with whom they talked do not think the U.S. Japan Joint Committee (presumably the Advisory Committee to the HICOM) is very active or doing much to improve conditions in Okinawa.

There is some expectation that after reversion, the USF bases will be released and the GOJ will fund tourist development on Okinawa, but businessmen fear that they may be swamped by mainland capital.

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In the legislature, the eight Shakai Taishuto members are close to Domei, and are not advocating abolition of the Security Treaty or removal of U.S. bases.

The team did not have time to call on USCAR (LN) as we suggested they might try to do.

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We may not rpt not have necessary ~~xxxxx~~ decision here in time for Monday meeting but we do plan to allow for Sato/Yara notification before any official announcement or other action which might disclose ~~xxxxxxxx~~ removal plan.

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SUBJECT: Symington Hearings and Okinawa B-52s

1. During Symington Sub-committee hearings on September 30, 1969, following question was asked/ regarding B-52 flights: "Why does the Air Force prefer to operate B-52s over Viet-Nam from Guam and Okinawa instead of the Philippines? Why did the Air Force choose U-Tapao instead of Clark in 1966?"

2. Reply described current utilization of Clark, Guam and U-Tapao, noting that Clark is too narrow for B-52 operations and heavily loaded with other activities. Re Okinawa reply stated: "B-52s were originally deployed to Kadena AB, Okinawa, as a result of the Pueblo incident. No significant costs

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SecDef has informed us that he expects to be able to confirm initiation of the removal operation, as well as a general timetable for its completion, prior to PriMin Sato's visit.

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Honorable Elliot L. Richardson
Under Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Elliot:

This is in response to your letter of 1 October 1969 regarding the removal of lethal chemical munitions from Okinawa.

Prior to initiating removal of these weapons, it was necessary to review the present and anticipated requirement for forward deployment of chemical munitions in the Pacific area. This review has now been completed and my staff is presently evaluating alternative relocation sites consistent with its recommendations. I expect to reach a final decision on this matter in the near future.

It is my expectation that we will be able to confirm initiation of the removal operations, as well as a general timetable for its completion, prior to Prime Minister Sato's visit in mid-November.

Sincerely,

Enclosure

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RECOMMENDATIONS

I. Chemical Warfare Program

1. The objective of our chemical warfare policy should be a retaliatory deterrent capability. We should conduct R&D at the level necessary to ensure that we retain a retaliatory capability.

2. We should declare a no-first-use policy and be willing to support it if possible with an international agreement. If this is to be done by ratification of the Geneva Protocol, further study should determine what reservation or interpretive statement is required, if any.

3. For a deterrent capability, in NATO we should support only U.S. forces with the current European deployment (Option C, p. 52 or Report I).

4. Our ability to support theaters other than NATO with a lethal CW deterrent capability should be based on stockpiles maintained in CONUS rather than on regional stockpiles.

5. Whether the Okinawa stocks should be returned direct to CONUS or first to Guam should be determined by political and budgetary considerations. Such considerations are under review at this time.

6. All stocks of mustard and phosgene gas should be destroyed or detoxified, and production of other lethal chemical agents should be discontinued until binary agents (suitable for safe handling) are fully developed. Meanwhile, the chemical warfare program should concentrate entirely on R&D of binary agents.

7. Riot control agents sufficient to support civil disturbance requirements plus 30-days combat for one division should be maintained (Option 2, p. 65, Report I).

8. We should retain a capability and policy for the use of herbicides for defoliation plus limited and selective use against crops (Option 3, p. 66, Report I).

II. Biological Program

A biological research, development, and testing program should be maintained only for defensive purposes and to safeguard against technological surprise. Close coordination should be maintained with public health agencies to develop programs such as mass immunization that would have widespread public benefits.

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(To Remain With Correspondence)

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DATE 10/24/69

TO EA - Mr. Myers

SUBJECT Response to letter of 10/1 re removal of lethal chemical munitions fm Okinawa to U.

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- For appropriate action.
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- Refer to White House request of _____.
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- For your information.

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FOR ASSISTANT LEGAL ADVISER FOR TREATY AFFAIRS

FROM : Amembassy TOKYO

DATE: 14 October 1969

SUBJECT : Exchange of Notes on Transfer of Ownership of Okinawa Satellite Tracking Station

REF : (A) TOKYO A-842; (B) STATE 160415

Pursuant to the Department's authorization, the Embassy exchanged notes with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on September 25, 1969, agreeing to transfer of ownership of the Government of Japan's satellite tracking station on Okinawa. The notes incorporated the Department's suggested revisions as contained in Ref B.

In accordance with 11 FAM 334 there are enclosed the original of the Ministry's note, a certified copy of the Embassy's reply, and an Embassy language officer's certification of the conformity of the Japanese and English texts.

MEYER

Enclosures:

1. Original GOJ Note and English Translation (5 copies)
2. Certification of Language Conformity (5 copies)
3. Certified copies of Embassy Note No. 672 (5 copies)

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I certify that the Japanese language text and the English language text of the Exchange of Notes dated September 25, 1969, concerning transfer of ownership of the Government of Japan Satellite Tracking Station in Okinawa conform with each other and have the same meaning in all substantive respects.

Joseph P. Leahy

Second Secretary of Embassy

Embassy of the United States of America,

Tokyo, September 25, 1969

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口　上　書

外務省は、在本邦アメリカ合衆国大使館に敬意を表するとともに、科学技術庁宇宙開発推進本部沖縄電波追跡所に関する昭和43年9月2日付同省口上書米北第295号及びこれに対する同日付同大使館口上書第1261号に言及し、昭和44年6月23日に公布された宇宙開発事業団法（昭和44年法律第50号）に基づき、科学技術庁の付属機関である宇宙開発推進本部の所掌事務に関して国の有する権利及び義務は、昭和44年10月1日宇宙開発事業団の成立のときにおいて同事業団に承継される予定である旨、及びこれに伴い沖縄電波追跡所は、宇宙開発事業団の支所としてその地位を変更されることとなるが、同追跡所は前記法律第36条の規定に基づき、引き続き日本

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国政府の監督下におかれ、その業務にはなんら変更を生ずるものではない旨を同大使館に通報する光栄を有する。

外務省は、さらに、在本邦アメリカ合衆国大使館に対し、上記にかんがみ、さきに前記往復口上書に述べられた沖縄電波追跡所に関する日本国政府とアメリカ合衆国政府との合意事項は、下記の修正を加えた上で、昭和44年10月1日以降宇宙開発事業団の支所としての沖縄電波追跡所に適用されることにつきアメリカ合衆国政府が異存なき旨確認されるよう要請する光栄を有する。

記

1. 第1項を「日本国の特殊法人である宇宙開発事業団（以下「事業団」という。）は、その支所として、沖縄電波追跡所を設置する。」とあらためる。

2. 第2項の「科学技術庁宇宙開発推進本部」を「事業団」とあらためる。

3. 第4項(2)の「科学技術庁宇宙開発推進本部」を「事業団」とあらためる。

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4. 第7項の「日本国政府」を「事業団」とあらためる。

5. 第8項の「科学技術庁宇宙開発推進本部に所属する日本国政府の国家公務員とする。」を『事業団の職員とする。なお、宇宙開発事業団法第21条に規定するとおり、事業団に所属する職員は、「日本国刑法その他の罰則の適用については、法令により公務に従事する職員」とみなされる。』とあらためる。

6. 第9項の「日本国政府」を「事業団」とあらためる。

7. 第10項の「日本国政府」を「事業団」とあらためる。

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Translation

GAIMUSHO

No. 318/AM-1

NOTE VERBALE

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America, and, with reference to the Ministry's Note Verbale, No. 295/AMN, dated September 2, 1968, concerning the Okinawa Satellite Tracking Station of the National Space Development Center of the Science and Technology Agency, and the Embassy's Note Verbale No. 1261, of the same date, in reply to the foregoing, has the honor to inform the Embassy the following: In accordance with the Space Development Corporation Law (Law No. 50 of 1969), which was promulgated on June 23, 1969, the rights and obligations of the State concerning the (specific) functions of the National Space Development Center, which is an organ attached to the Science and Technology Agency, are to be taken over by the Space Development Corporation at the time of the establishment of the said Corporation on October 1, 1969. Consequently, the status of the Okinawa Satellite Tracking Station will be changed to that of a branch office of the Space Development Corporation. However, the said Tracking Station will continue to

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be placed under the supervision of the Government of Japan in accordance with the provisions of the Article 36 of the above-mentioned Law, and its work will not change at all.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has further the honor to request the Embassy of the United States of America to confirm that, in view of the foregoing, the Government of the United States of America does not have any objection to applying, with the following modifications, the points of agreement between the Government of Japan and the Government of the United States of America concerning the Okinawa Satellite Tracking Station, set forth in the above-mentioned Notes Verbales, to the Okinawa Satellite Tracking Station, in its status as a branch office of the Space Development Corporation, on and after October 1, 1969:

1. Paragraph 1 will be amended to read: "The Space Development Corporation, which is a special government established corporation of Japan (hereinafter referred to as 'the Corporation'), will establish the 'Okinawa Satellite Tracking Station' as its branch office."

2. In paragraph 2, the words "the National Space Development Center of the Science and Technology Agency" will be amended to read "the Corporation."

3. In paragraph 4(2), the words "the National Space Development Center of the Science and Technology Agency" will be

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amended to read "the Corporation."

4. In paragraph 7, the words "the Government of Japan" will be amended to read "the Corporation."

5. In paragraph 8, the words "..... will be officials of the Japanese Government belonging to the National Space Development Center of the Science and Technology Agency" will be amended to read "..... will be the staff of the Corporation. As provided in Article 21 of the Space Development Corporation Law, the staff belonging to the Corporation shall be regarded as 'staff members who are engaging in public service in accordance with laws and regulations in the application of the Japanese Criminal Code and other penal regulations.'"

6. In paragraph 9, the words "The Japanese Government" will be amended to read "The Corporation."

7. In paragraph 10, the words "the Japanese Government" will be amended to read "the Corporation."

Tokyo, September 25, 1969.

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No. 672

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and has the honor to refer to the Ministry's Note Verbale of September 25, 1969 (No. 318/AM-1) which reads in English translation as follows:

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"6. In paragraph 9, the words 'The Japanese Government' will be amended to read 'The Corporation.'

"7. In paragraph 10, the words 'the Japanese Government' will be amended to read 'the Corporation.'"

The Embassy of the United States of America has the honor to confirm that the Government of the United States of America has no objection to this arrangement and concurs in amending the agreement as proposed.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America,

Tokyo, September 25, 1969.

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This document is a true copy of the original initialed by Richard A. Ericson, Jr., Counselor of Embassy for Political Affairs.

Joseph P. Leahy
Second Secretary of Embassy

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C O N F I D E N T I A L TOKYO 8385

SUBJECT: KOMEITO MISSION TO OKINAWA

REF: TOKYO 14512 OF 12/9/68

1. SUMMARY. KOMEITO HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING VISIT BY PARTY MISSION TO OKINAWA. PURPOSE OF MISSION IS TO GAIN BROADEST POSSIBLE EXPOSURE TO U.S. FACILITIES. EFFECTIVE PROGRAMMING OF VISIT COULD HELP TO SOMEWHAT MODERATE PENDING SURVEY BY KOMEIKAI ON U.S. INSTALLATIONS. END SUMMARY.

2. AKIRA KUROYANAGI, KOMEITO INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY AND PARTY BASE EXPERT, HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING FOR KOMEITO MISSION TO STUDY OKINAWAN BASE STRUCTURE. MR. KUROYANAGI AND TWO OR THREE OTHER AS YET UNDESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES WISH TO SPEND FOUR DAYS IN OKINAWA (ARRIVE AFTERNOON FIRST DAY AND DEPARTURE ON FOURTH). PURPOSE OF MISSION IS TO VISIT AS MANY DIFFERENT FACILITIES AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER TO SECURE BROADEST EXPOSURE TO BASE STRUCTURE, RATHER THAN HAVE IN-DEPTH BRIEFING AT ONE OR TWO BASES. (FYI-- KUROYANAGI AND OTHER KOMEITO MEMBERS VISITED OKINAWA SPRING 1968) KOMEITO MISSION WOULD BE ABLE TO VISIT OKINAWA ANY TIME BETWEEN OCTOBER 18-23 SUBJECT TO HICOM CONVENIENCE.

3. KUROYANAGI INDICATED THAT KOMEIKAI, KOMEITO'S OKINAWA ASSOCIATES, HAS PREPARED DETAILED REPORT ON OKINAWAN BASE STRUCTURE AND PROBLEMS IN OKINAWA AND MISSION INTENDS TO VERIFY CONTENTS OF REPORT. KUROYANAGI COMMENTED THAT REPORT CONTAINS SOME

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Washington, D.C. 20520

October 28, 1969

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S/S: Mr. Brown:

The Legal Advisor asked for a copy of this letter to discuss it with EA.

Paul Washington
S/S-S: CMS

Approved: RWB

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HMS

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

October 1, 1969

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Defense Dept.

SECRET

Dear Mel:

I am worried about delay in implementing the decision to remove lethal gas weapons from Okinawa.

Prompt announcement of plans to remove these weapons minimized the adverse impact of the gas leakage incident, not only in Japan and Okinawa, but also here in the U.S. I think it only prudent to expect--sooner, rather than later--to be pressed as to the status of these weapons, and the timetable for their removal. I believe it would be damaging if we are unable to confirm initiation of the removal operation as well as a general timetable for its completion.

Thus I believe it is very important to move ahead quickly in removing these weapons from Okinawa, and I hope that you can keep me abreast of progress in this operation.

Sincerely,

Acting Secretary

The Honorable
Melvin R. Laird,
Secretary of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

SECRET/EXDIS

TO : The Acting Secretary

FROM : EA - Mr. Green

THROUGH: S/S

SUBJECT: Removal of gas weapons from Okinawa-
ACTION MEMORANDUM

We are concerned that continued delay in beginning the removal of lethal gas weapons from Okinawa could be damaging in Japan and Okinawa, and perhaps here in the U.S. Adverse impact of the July gas incident on Okinawa was minimized by prompt announcement of our intention to remove the weapons. Although we informed the GOJ that we could not then determine when the removal would begin or how long it would take, the GOJ undoubtedly expected that we would move with reasonable speed.

We believe that the Japanese will raise this issue with us before too long, and that we should, at least, be in position to say the removal has begun. In addition to the impact in Japan and Okinawa, further delay also runs the risk of criticism in the U.S. There would, of course, be grievous international and domestic repercussions should a second incident occur before removal has even begun.

We understand that DOD has not yet adopted a plan for removal of these weapons, and that even after a plan is adopted, there may be considerable delay before the removal operation begins. DOD/ISA seems to recognize the urgency of the problem, but this recognition is apparently not shared on the

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military side which is responsible for implementing the removal decision. In view of this situation and the importance of the problem, we believe that you should emphasize the matter by informing Secretary Laird of our views.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the attached letter to Secretary Laird.

Attachment:

Letter to Secretary Laird

cc: U, J, C

Clearances: EA/J - Mr. Fritts (draft) J/PM - Mr. Wolf (draft)

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JOINT STATE/DEFENSE MESSAGE

SUBJ: Relocation on Okinawa and Japan of Units from Viet-Nam

1. Embassy should inform Fon Off that it is planned one USMC Squadron (VMA-533) with 378 personnel will return to Iwakuni where squadron had previously been stationed. (Squadron now equipped with A-6 aircraft.) Timing of return to Iwakuni not yet fixed.

2. It also planned additional Marine units previously based in Okinawa will return there. Identification of these units will shortly be made by DOD. You may inform GOJ of these projected redeployments to Okinawa, indicating if appropriate that they are units previously based in Okinawa and stating that unit identifications will

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DOD/Joint Staff - Adm. Epes
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DATE: September 1969

FROM : Amembassy TOKYO

SUBJECT : Sohyo-JSP Plans for Self-Reliant Okinawa Economy

REF :

Enclosed is a reproducible copy of an article, carried in the August 26 edition of the English language Yomiuri, which outlines Sohyo and JSP (Japan Socialist Party) plans for a self-reliant Okinawa economy. It notes that Sohyo established a "Council for the Development of Peace Economy in Okinawa" and that the Council, in cooperation with the JSP, proposes to formulate a "long-range" plan for evolving an Okinawa economy independent of military bases. JSP Mayor Ichio Asukata of Yokohama, reportedly well known to Okinawans because of his effective stumping on behalf of Chobyo Yara in last year's Chief Executive campaign, is mentioned as chairman of the new council.

No other newspaper reported the establishment of the council.

COMMENT: It is uncertain just how serious these plans currently are. In response to the Labor Attaché's inquiries at Sohyo headquarters, it was difficult to discover any person responsible for or knowledgeable of the existence of the council. Finally after several attempts, we were told that establishment of such a council had been discussed, but so far there was not a formal organization.

The article therefore seems to reflect Sohyo's desire to publicize its concern for the post-reversion Okinawan economy, a field that, in its eagerness to push its reversion campaign, has heretofore left to Domei.

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LABOR BEAT

By Takashi Tanigawa

Sohyo Takes A Hand In Ryukyu Issue

The General Council of Trade Unions (Sohyo) is now engaged in the task of finding ways to enable the Okinawan economy to operate on its own after the reversion of the Ryukyus to Japan.

At present, the Okinawan economy depends heavily on various benefits it derives from the operation of US military bases on the islands.

The Socialist Party is cooperating with Sohyo's efforts to enable the Okinawan economy to attain self-reliance.

As a first step toward achieving this end, Sohyo has organized what it calls the Council for the Development of Peace Economy in Okinawa.

The council will formulate long-range economic development plans for the Ryukyus after examining the present conditions in the economy, finance, manufacturing industries, agriculture, forestry and fisheries in the islands and studying problems related to public projects, labor and social security, as well as matters concerning the operation of US military bases in the Ryukyus.

The council is staffed by members of Sohyo and the Socialist Party, Sohyo-affiliated labor unions, organizations concerned with Okinawan problems and a number of scholars and city mayors who have been elected to their posts with the support of progressive organizations.

Mayor Kazuo Asukada of Yokohama serves as chairman of the council.

Newspapers did not give much space to reports about the establishment of the new council.

Despite the lack of publicity, however, the inauguration of the council was a rather significant event. Since Okinawan problems became an issue of major public concern about two years ago, Sohyo and the Socialist Party have been appealing strongly for the immediate and unconditional return of the Ryukyus to Japanese rule.

However, the two organizations have failed to explain how the Okinawan economy can operate without depending on various benefits resulting from the existence of US military bases on the islands.

This has caused the government and the Liberal-Democratic Party to argue that the demand for the immediate and unconditional reversion of the Ryukyus is "unrealistic."

The government and party maintain that Japan should allow the US to maintain its military bases on the islands after their reversion.

Sohyo and the Socialist Party felt impelled to find a solution to the problem of the Okinawan economy.

The two organizations intend to come up with a set of new proposals for a "strengthening of the Okinawan economy" before Prime Minister Sato goes to Washington in November to negotiate with US Government leaders for the early reversion of the Ryukyus.

Sohyo will arrange for the newly established council to send inspection teams to the Ryukyus in mid-September and late October.

The council aims to collect and analyze all data that can be used in formulating long-range economic development plans for the Ryukyus.

A Sohyo spokesman said that the Ryukyus, which has a relatively large manpower, can be developed into a center of tourism and light industries and, therefore, "it is possible to build a peaceful and prosperous Okinawa."

The council will prepare and release its first report before the prime minister leaves for the US in November.

In its report, the council will try to make the public understand that there is no basis for the Liberal-Democratic Party's argument that "the Okinawan economy would be doomed to destruction if US military bases were withdrawn from the islands."

Later, the council will publish its second and third reports in a move to gain public support for its movement for the immediate and unconditional return of the Ryukyus.

The council was to have been founded by the Socialist Party. However, the party, faced with a crisis arising from its defeat in the Tokyo Metropolitan Assembly election, could not carry out its plan for the immediate establishment of the council.

This led Sohyo to undertake the task of organizing the council. Although the Socialist Party is named as one of the organizers of the council, it is Sohyo which holds the leadership in running the new organization.

One Sohyo leader said that "the tragedy of progressive forces in Japan is reflected in the fact that Sohyo had to undertake the task of organizing and operating the council, which should have been the task of the Socialist Party."

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SUBJ: OKINAWA: ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH RIVAL MILITARY LABOR UNION

1. SHINZATO TSUGIO, DIRECTOR OF OKINAWA MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION, CALLED ON POL COUNSELOR SEPTEMBER 2 ACCOMPANIED BY LDP DIET MEMBER MORIYAMA KINJI. PURPOSE OF CALL WAS TO EXPLAIN AND SOLICIT SUPPORT FOR EFFORTS TO REPLACE ZENGUNRO WITH MORE COOPERATIVE MILITARY EMPLOYEES UNION.

2. FRANKLY CRITICAL OF "LABOR TRUCE" SETTLEMENT REACHED BETWEEN HICOM AND ZENGUNRO, SHINZATO WARNED THAT ZENGUNRO LEFTISTS ALREADY VIOLATING PACT BY CAMPAIGNING AT GRASS ROOTS LEVEL FOR MASSIVE "PEOPLE'S MOVEMENTS" THIS AUTUMN IN OPPOSITION TO SATO VISIT, SECURITY TREATY, US BASES ON OKINAWA. EXPLAINED ATTEMPTS BEING MADE ESTABLISH NEW UNION ON FOUNDATION OF "ASSOCIATION TO PROTECT LIVELIHOOD OF OKINAWA BASE WORKERS" WHICH SHINZATO ASSERTED WOULD ATTRACT MAJORITY OF BASE EMPLOYEES. ADDED THAT DISSIDENT UNION MEMBERS HOPED SET UP NEW ORGANIZATION SEPTEMBER 8 (FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF PRESENT "ASSOCIATION") BUT NEED FINANCIAL SUPPORT. SHINZATO SAID HIS ORGANIZATION HAD PROMISED FUND HALF NEEDED EXPENSES (SAID TO BE $8,000) BUT EFFORTS PERSUADE US AUTHORITIES OKINAWA PROVIDE REMAINING HALF HAD BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL.

3. POL COUNSELOR OFFERED NO ENCOURAGEMENT. GP-3.
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